

SESSION OF 2005

**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2347**

As Amended by Senate Committee on  
Ways and Means

**Brief\***

HB 2347 would allow Fort Hays State University to sell a parcel of land to the City of Hays. Proceeds from the sale would be deposited in the Restricted Fees Fund of the University.

The bill also would authorize the Department of Administration, on behalf of the Juvenile Justice Authority, to convey 4.9 acres of land to the Helping Hands Humane Society, Inc. (HHHS). The property, which is landlocked, unimproved land adjacent to the Topeka Juvenile Correctional Facility, the Kansas Juvenile Correctional Complex, and the Humane Society, would be conveyed, without consideration, by quitclaim deed, and any costs related to the conveyance would be the responsibility of HHHS. The deeds and conveyances would have to be approved by the Attorney General before the property could be conveyed, and the transaction would be exempt from statutory appraisal requirements.

**Background**

HB 2347 was introduced by the Appropriations Committee at the request of Fort Hays State University. The land being sold covers approximately 16,000 square feet and is currently not being used by the University.

A representative of Fort Hays State University testified to the House Committee in favor of the bill. There were no opponents appearing in opposition to the bill.

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\*Supplemental notes are prepared by the Legislative Research Department and do not express legislative intent. The supplemental note and fiscal note for this bill may be accessed on the Internet at <http://www.kslegislature.org>

The Senate Committee amended the bill to include the provisions of SB 266 as amended which would authorize the Department of Administration, on behalf of the Juvenile Justice Authority, to convey land to the Helping Hands Humane Society, Inc. The Committee's amendments specified that the amended bill would be effective upon publication in the *Kansas Register*.

The Division of the Budget fiscal note on the bill as introduced was not available at the time of the hearing. The conferee noted that the expected negotiated price for the land is approximately \$4,300. The proceeds would be deposited into the University's restricted Fees Fund to be used for general operation expenditures.

The fiscal note on SB 266 as introduced indicated costs estimated at \$2,500 related to potential survey and title work. Prior Committee amendments place responsibility for any costs related to the conveyance on HHHS.